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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION

Improvements in and relating to Containers for Toilet Salves and the like

We, LAUGHTON & SONS LIMITED, formerly Jarr tt, Rainsford & Laughton Limited, a British Company of Warstock Road, Warstock, Birmingham, 14, and GEORGE ABE LAUGHTON, a British Subject of the Company's address, do hereby declare the invention, for which we pray that a patent may be granted to us and the method by which it is to be performed to be particularly described in and by the following statement:-

The invention relates to containers for toilet salves and the like, in which the salve is in the form of a stick provided with a holder capable of being inserted in and withdrawn from the container for use. As a mirror is usually required by the user of the salve, it has been proposed to hinge a mirror and container together so that one may be caused to fold against the other when not required for use, means being provided for sliding the stick holder by hand into a position for use and into the container when not so required.

In accordance with the present invention the combination of mirror and container includes a compression spring suitably housed in the container to bear on the lipstick holder and to project one end of the holder from the container, and the mirror frame has a forwardly projecting part which forms a closure for the open end or mouth of the container and, in its closure position, the projecting part is itself engaged by the end of the spring-pressed lipstick holder and so retains the mirror against the container.

When the holder or mirror is required for use, the frictional retaining pressure can be overcome by finger pressure and the container swung aside whereupon the end of the lipstick holder pops out of the container so that the holder can

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be taken out for use and the mirror is also freed for use.

In the appended drawings a constructional embodiment of the invention is illustrated.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a salve stick container and mirror in out of use position.

Figure 2 is a similar view of the device opened for use and with the stick holder partially ejected from its container.

Figure 3 is an end view looking at the lower end of Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a view drawn to a larger scale with parts in section.

In these drawings *a* is the container into which a stick of salve *b*, placed in a cartridge or holder *c*, can be inserted. The holder *c* with the stick *b* is pushed into a thin walled sleeve *d* provided with an internal shoulder *e* against which a compression spring *f* bears. *g* is a bracket secured to the wall of the container *a* and providing at its outer edge hinge lugs *h* between which a hinge lug *i* on a frame *j* of a small mirror *k* is mounted in a manner permitting the mirror to be moved close against one wall of the container *a*. The mirror frame carries at one end a closure plate *l* projecting perpendicularly from it. When the mirror is moved to an out of use position as in Figure 1 and the holder *c* of the stick of salve *b* is in its container *a*, the closure plate *l* on the mirror frame closes the end of the container and retains the holder and stick. The insertion of the holder *c* brings it into the interior of the thin walled sleeve *d* and causes the sleeve to move inwardly into the container thereby compressing the spring *f* which urges the sleeve towards the closure plate and holds the latter and the mirror in place in the

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closed position with the stick holder *c* bearing on the closure plate.

5 Preferably the closure plate is recessed on its upper surface as at *m* and the end of the stick holder engages in the shallow recess to assist in the holding of the parts in the out of use position.

10 The spring-pressed sleeve *d* arranged within the container *a* is prevented from displacement from the container *a* by means such as internal projections *n* formed or secured in the wall of the container near its open end, see Figure 4.

15 In order to prevent the stickholder *c* being loose in the sleeve *d* the latter may be provided as shown in Figure 4 with inwardly depressed tongues *o* for bearing lightly on the exterior of the holder. The holder may in any case be provided with the well known propelling means for causing the nose of the stick to be projected for use and withdrawn into the holder when not in use.

20 No claim is made herein per se to the invention claimed in any claim in the Patent Specification No. 834,486.

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:

30 1. A container for toilet salves in the form of a stick in a stick holder, to which container a mirror is hinged, characterised in that a compression

spring is suitably housed in the container to bear on a lipstick holder and to project one end of the holder from the container, and that the mirror frame has a forwardly projecting part which forms a closure for the open end or mouth of the container and, in its closure position, the forwardly projecting part is itself engaged by the end of the spring-pressed lipstick holder and so retains the mirror against the container. 35 40

2. A container for toilet salves, as claimed in Claim 1 wherein a sleeve is arranged within the container with the spring behind it, into which sleeve the lipstick holder can be inserted so as to push the sleeve inwardly and compress the spring and the resulting spring pressure will cause the lipstick holder to engage the closure plate on the mirror and retain the parts in an out of use position. 45 50

3. A container for toilet salves as claimed in Claim 1 substantially as described herein and as illustrated by the accompanying drawings. 55

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65 In accordance with the invention a container for receiving a holder of a toilet salve or the like is combined in such manner with another toilet article, such as a mirror, which would normally be carried with a lipstick or like salve, that the closing or moving of the one against the other retains them in engagement in an out of use but compact position by spring pressure which also serves to eject the salve holder from the container, or partially so, immediately the container is moved aside from the mirror or other toilet article.

80 In a preferred embodiment of construction the container for a lipstick holder is hinged to the frame of a toilet

mirror and the mirror frame is provided with a forwardly projecting part which will form a cover or closure for the open end or mouth of the container. A compression spring is suitably housed in the container where it will bear against the lipstick holder, when the holder is pushed into the open end or mouth of the container. The pressure of the spring normally causes one end of the holder to project from the container and the depression of the holder into the container, will enable the container to be moved about its hinge close against the mirror frame with its open end below the cover or closure. The pressure of the spring on the holder causes its upper end to bear against the underside of the cover or closure part of the frame and retain the parts in the compact out of use position. 85 90 95 100

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and the container swung aside whereupon the end of the lipstick holder pops up out of the container so that the holder can be taken out for use and the mirror is also cleared for use.

5 It is preferred to press a shallow recess into the underside of the cover part of the mirror frame to receive the end of the holder and to slightly radius 10 the wall around the recess.

The container can be made of a rectangular or octagonal section and the salve holder can be of the usual circular section.

15 A cylindrical sleeve of smaller length than the container can be inserted in it, the sleeve having an internal flange at its inner end for bearing on the compression spring housed in the 20 lower part of the container. The sleeve will be prevented from being pressed out of position by the spring, by forming indentations in the exterior of the upper part of the container to produce

shallow ribs on the inner face.

25 Instead of hinging the container it may be made to slide between upper and lower flanges on the frame, one of which forms the cover and is formed with the shallow recess into which the upper 30 end of the holder will be urged by the compression spring housed in the container.

The sleeve part within the container may be formed with resilient tongues in 35 its wall to bear lightly on the exterior of the holder.

The holder may be provided, as is usual, with propelling means to project the stick of salve into a position for 40 use.

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FIG. 1.

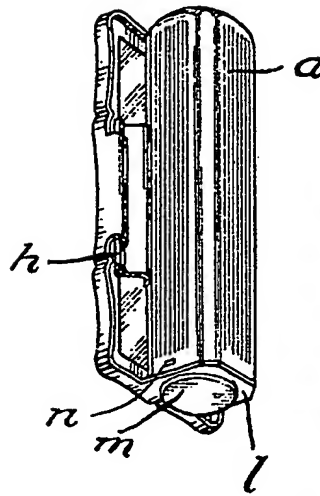


FIG. 4.

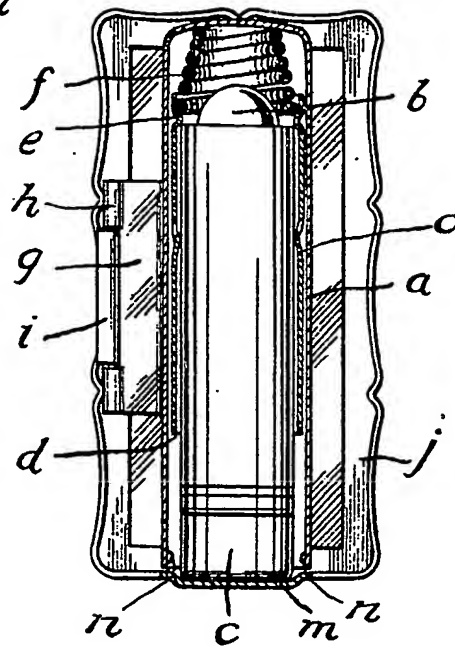


FIG. 2.

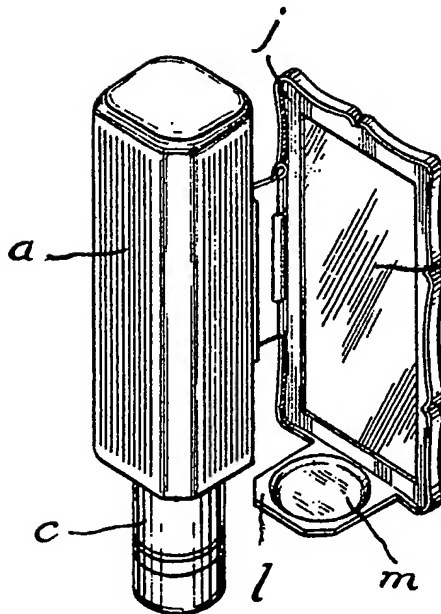


FIG. 3.

